

HOUSE BILL 226

By Moore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-5-708, relative to directional signs denoting certain educational institutions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-5-708, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

It shall be the duty of the department to implement a directional signing program for all institutions of higher learning, state technology centers, state-operated special schools throughout the state, and the fire service and codes enforcement academy, as follows:

(1) All such institutions which are located within ten (10) miles of an interchange on the federal-aid interstate system of highways shall be signed on the interstate highway system; provided, that all state community colleges and the fire service and codes enforcement academy may be signed on such highway system if such colleges and the academy are within nineteen (19) miles of an interchange on such highway system. Each institution meeting this criterion shall be signed at only one (1) interchange and shall be signed at the closest location, except where more than two (2) destinations are required to be signed at the same interchange. When this condition occurs, the two (2) closest institutions to the interchange will be signed, with the remaining institution or institutions being signed at the second closest interchange;

(2) All such institutions which are not signed on the federal-aid interstate system of highways shall be signed at the road entering the state highway system nearest the institution; and

(3) All signing must meet federal highway administration requirements in regard to the number of lines of sign legend, sign location and spacing.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.